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KINGDOM BRIEFS

Brother W. N. Hamilton, of Clinton, has accepted the pastorate at Brandon and will preach there once a month.

Brother C. B. Williams has returned from the Seminary in Louisville, and is ready for service in Mississippi. His postoffice is Tompelen.

Good reports come from the meeting in Immanuel church, Hattiesburg, where Brother Zeno Wall is assisting Pastor O'Bryant and the church. There have been a number of conversions, and a number of young ladies in the Woman's College have volunteered to become missionaries.

Brother Hoyt E. Porter, who graduated with distinction at Mississippi College, last session, is now teaching a consolidated rural school in Carroll county and preaching to two churches near by. Brother Porter is the son of a Methodist preacher, the grandson of a Baptist preacher, named for a Presbyterian preacher. He will make good.

The Hebron church sends by its committee complimentary resolutions of Brother L. D. Posey, the former pastor, which are richly deserved. It was a grief to us to lose Brother Posey to Louisiana and hope he will some day turn to us. We endorse everything these brethren say about him and could do it with our eyes shut, knowing him and them. We wish our space permitted the publication of the full copy of resolutions prepared by Brethren Dale, Bush and Berry.

This is good testimony to the value of evangelism from a daily paper in Hamilton, Ohio: "Pick up your daily paper any night and you will see that the Biederwolf-McEwen meetings are showing strength right now, almost four weeks after the evangelists left town. . . . Dr. Biederwolf is gone; away off in the great Empire State holding out his invitation to other folk, but the work he started in Hamilton goes on, uninterrupted, and will go on as long as Christian people practice Christianity as effectively as they have done since the revival meetings closed."

The daily paper brings news of the departure of Sister Geo. W. Leavell, of Oxford, to the heavenly home. For forty years she has served the King on this side, and has walked with him humbly and poyfully. She could say with John, "I have no greater joy than to see my children walking in the truth," for they have grown up about her nurtured in truth and in faith. Her own trust in God was a beautiful inspiration. Her life was a success, and she will be greatly missed here. On the other side her husband awaited her. He, too, had served God and his generation, and fallen asleep.

Brother W. A. Chisholm, one of the State secretaries of the Sunday School Union, recently made a trip to North Carolina to attend the wedding of his sister and see his mother, whom he had not seen for four years.

Mr. Robt. H. Coleman, who edited and issued the song book "Evangel," and "The New Evangel," has recently issued a new book, "The World Evangel," which will be introduced and used at the great convention of laymen this week at Chattanooga. The former books have been exceedingly popular and useful and the new book will no doubt equal them.

Brother Theodore Whitfield, of McComb, spoke to his people about the proposition we made to send The Baptist Record on trial subscription for four months for fifty cents, and as a result, sent in fifty-three names. Our subscription list could be doubled, and twice as many Baptists in Mississippi be brought into fellowship with all the denominational life and work if the other pastors will do this. It is so easy to do it if we will all work together. It will help all the churches work and help to bring in the Kingdom. Try it, Brother Pastor.

Christians and churches can never confine their interest to affairs of their own neighborhood. We are fellow-citizens with the saints and are of the household of God. Space has nothing to do with their duty to the man in need. Race has no power to limit the obligation. One of the earliest tests that the Gospel was subjected to was its power to determine the attitude of believers toward men of other races. It is probably one of the most constant and severe today. The man that limits his concern or activity to his own church and neighborhood will never be great in heart and life. To be like the Lord we must include every man and every interest of the Kingdom in our calendar of work and prayer and study.

The meeting at Clinton closed with the end of last week. The people came in crowds and continued to do so to the last. Dr. Dawson is a delightful companion, a noble man, and a good preacher. Pastor Provence and many members worked faithfully and prayed constantly. The Lord was gracious and abundant in mercy. The Spirit carried the message to the hearts of many. There were about thirty-five received for baptism and a few others made profession of faith. The pastor says that it was a very satisfactory meeting, leaving everything in good healthy condition. A revival in Clinton almost invariably affects for good many other churches, for the congregation is made up largely of students from all over the State, including young men who are pastors of other churches. Everything is working beautifully at Clinton.

The Columbia church is a growing church—not ingrowing, either. During the past five months one or more members have been added to its membership every Sunday.

Pastor H. M. King is attending the Laymen's Convention at Chattanooga this week. In his absence it's a case of "let the women do (part of) the work" at the Second Baptist church, Jackson. He turns over his morning service to the "lay-women" and the evening service to the laymen. Possibly this is one instance in which the first shall not be last.

A beloved brother questions a statement in The Record that God loves the Devil. Well, if God loves the children of the Devil, we see no reason to doubt that He loves their father. God loves persons not because they are lovely, or worthy of His love, but because it is His own nature to love. This is His essential character. God is love. He *is* love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. God commendeth His love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. He can no more keep from loving than the sun can keep from shining.

It is sometimes said by people of other denominations, apparently in criticism of Baptists, that it takes more to get into a Baptist church than it does to get into heaven. These people don't seem to consider that this is true of any other church of evangelical faith. They all require what they believe to be baptism for church membership, and yet most of them are like Baptists in believing that baptism is not a condition of getting to heaven. The condition of admission into the church and the conditions of admission into heaven have no necessary connection, though everybody that is in the Kingdom of God ought also to be in the church.

"If the spirit of prophecy" was the "Spirit of Christ which was in them," how much more ought the modern preacher to make it the sum of his preaching to witness to Jesus. The testimony of Jesus ought to be the spirit and the burden, the substance of all His preaching. Some preachers seem to fear that the story of Jesus will grow wearisome or stale to the hearer. They can talk about everything else; in general terms about righteousness, about faith. These all have their place, but none of them has any meaning or force apart from Jesus. There is life and power and righteousness only in Him. In Him dwells all fullness, and we are made full in Him. Don't be afraid to tell about Him. The testimony of Jesus is still the spirit of prophecy. Don't ever lose sight of Him or let others do so. "Speak a good word for Jesus."

CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES

THE COUNTRY CHURCH vs. THE TOWN CHURCH PROBLEM.

I have read with more or less interest, often less, much that has been written on the "Problems of the Country Church," and "What Shall We Do with the Country Church?" etc. As I see it, the problems of the country church will have to be solved just like the problems of the town and city church, by the pastor and the church. Are our country churches in a bad way? If so, why? It must be admitted that some of them are in a bad way, and so are some of the town and city churches. Are they sick? If so, let's diagnose the case and find out what the trouble is. Is it a lack of piety? When we find the same in the town and city churches. Is it worldliness? Then we find the same conditions existing in the town and city churches, except possibly more so. Is it a lack of liberality? If so, what proportion of the town and city churches, or members of these churches give as liberally as they should? Do not town people as a rule handle more money than country people? It is clear that town churches as a rule, more liberal than country churches, but this is due, largely, to the fact that town people are accustomed to spending more money than country people. It requires more money to live in town than in the country. If this lack of liberality is the part of country churches is due to lack of training, and this lack of training is due to incompetent or non-progressive pastors, as some claim, then why do not more capable, and progressive pastors take country work? In the articles that I have read, most of the blame is placed upon the incompetent pastor. Most of the articles, if not all of them, that I have read on this subject were written by pastors of city churches, that probably have not had a country pastorate in twenty years, if they ever had one. If the country churches need men like themselves, who could so easily and promptly remedy the troubles of country churches, then, pray, why do they not change places, and hie away to some lovely country pastorate and send their children to the little country school on the hill, with all of its lack of comfort and furnishing? Take the snow and rain and mud and frozen roads, and all the other discomforts of the country pastorate, and help these people who so much need help. They are only so anxious to have you come among them and lead them into better things for the Lord. They are true to the old truth of God's Word, and are the staunch defenders of the truth, as against modernisms. The truth finds its most ready response in the hearts of the simple country people; and yet eight out of ten of our most capable and best trained preachers are carefully avoiding the country pastorate.

Brethren, let me suggest that you hold up on the country church for a while and

let those who are willing to go down, if you call it down, among the country people and help them to reach up toward higher things write some. They know whereof they write. They have been there.

I offer no apology for any church, country or town, for any of its shortcomings. None of us are doing what we could nor what we should.

As a country pastor I should be glad indeed to see more of our trained pastors, especially young pastors, consecrating their lives to the uplift of the country churches. The town and city pastorate are about all filled, but there are many fruitful country pastorate still unoccupied. One must be like the Master to fill these places. He must be willing to be made of no reputation, but willing to take upon himself the form of a servant. Jesus came not to be ministered unto, but to minister to others. The Master, if He were on earth today, would be only too glad to take some of these hard country places.

W. I. Hargis.

University, Miss.

LETTERS TO YOUNG PREACHERS.

No. 3.

My Beloved Brethren—

"Tis not for man to trifle. Life is brief

And sin is here.

Our age is but the falling of a leaf—

A dropping tear.

We have no time to sport away the hours:

All must be earnest in a world like ours.

Not many lives, but only one have we—

One, only one;

How sacred should this one life ever be!

This narrow span!

Day after day filled up with blessed toil,
Hour after hour still bringing in new spoil."

Have you considered earnestly and prayerfully, my dear brethren the infinite honor and the great responsibility of your calling? The work that our blessed Savior came to do, that filled His heart and hands and to which He gave His precious life; that work He has committed to you and into it He has called you. Of this work He Himself says: "I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent me. My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me and to accomplish His work. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life; for God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." "Go

ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all the nations," etc. (Jno. 6:38; 4:34; 3:16-17; Lu. 19:10; 5:32; 1 Tim. 1:15; Jno. 20:21; Mk. 16:15; Matt. 28:18-20.)

How wonderful, then, my brethren, is the honor He hath conferred upon you, "for that He counted you faithful, putting you into the ministry." (1 Tim. 1:12) A position to which men alone are called, that men alone can fill—a message that even angels dare not deliver. An angel could be sent from heaven to earth to tell Cornelius where to send for a preacher, "who should tell him words whereby he and all his house might be saved." (Acts 10:1; 11:14.) But that angel dare not himself undertake to speak the soul-giving words. None but those who have themselves been "redeemed to God by His blood" (Rev. 5:9) may witness for Him and declare to lost sinners His message of redeeming love. Therefore, ye divinely-chosen witnesses of His saving grace, go preach the Gospel—the good news—to the lost of earth. With the "love of God shed abroad in your hearts by the Holy Spirit who is given unto you, constrained by the love of Christ, as ambassadors for Christ, beseech them and pray them in Christ's stead, to be reconciled to God." (Rom. 5:5; II Cor. 5:14-20.) Be wise today, for "he that is wise winneth souls." (R. V. Prov. 11:30), "and they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever." (Dan. 12:3).

In the love of Christ,

Theophilus.

PREACHERS' SONS.

By Townes R. Leigh, LL. D.

The recent election of Woodrow Wilson to the presidency of the United States adds another black ball to the popular fallacy that ministers' sons are generally scallawags or at best, mollycoddles. Within the last half century only two democrats have been invited by the megaphone voice of the people to take the seat highest up; both of these illustrious men, Wilson and Cleveland, were children of the manse. Nearly thirty years of Republican administration intervened between Cleveland's Democratic predecessor and himself. This carries us back to the time when the White House was occupied by James Buchanan, who was likewise the son of a clergyman. Dame Democracy has her donkey bridle-wise, and for more than five decades it has been her custom to amble to the parsonage and take the pastor's son riding on the pike that leads to Washington, where it is known as Pennsylvania avenue.

Henry Clay, three times a candidate for president, was the son of a Baptist preacher of sterling character. The fathers of Arthur, Quay, Morton, Beveridge, Hughes and Dilliver were ministers.

The members of clerical households have been stars of the first magnitude not only in the political firmament, but in the zenith of poetry, art and science. In poetry there are Tennyson, Ben Jonson, Lessing Goldsmith, Thomson, Cowper, Coleridge, Young,

Addison, John Keble, Matthew Arnold; in art, Christopher Wren and Reynolds; in science, Linnaeus, Olbers, Fabricius, Berzelius, Euler, Jenner, Field, Morse, Agassiz.

Eminent in history, philosophy and general literature stand the following sons of clergymen: Romannes, Wilkinson, Froude, Halam, Hobbes, Sloan, Bancroft, Parkman, Nietzsche, Schnelling, Sehliermacher, Muller, Holmes, Emerson, Lowell, Gilder, James, Richter, Hazlitt, Van Dyke; among novelists, Henry James, Charles Kingsley, and three daughters of clergymen, Charlotte Bronte, Jane Austen and Harriet Beecher Stowe; among jurists, Field and Brewer; among educators, Faunce, Carroll, Launsbury and almost an unlimited number of celebrated college president; among noted divines who were themselves sons of ministers, Jonathan Edwards, Henry Ward Beecher, Archibald Hodge, Lyman Abbott, Charles Spurgeon, Cotton and Increase Mather, Matthew Henry, Frederick Maurice, John and Charles Wesley, Dean Stanley, Mansell, Dornier and Swedenborg, the seer.

Let the world call the preacher blessed, not only because of his sacred office, but because of the glorious deeds of his illustrious sons. May his tribe increase.—Alabama Baptist.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

By J. Benj. Lawrence.

CHAPTER XVII.

The Teaching of the Apostles and the Kingdom.

We come now to study the Kingdom as set forth in the Acts of the Apostles and the Epistles. There are in our sources twenty-five references not including the passages in Revelation.

The center around which the teaching of the apostles revolves is the word "church." This is natural when we remember the relation between the church and the Kingdom. The Kingdom is God's empire; the church (considered as an institution) is the dispensational means by which the citizens are to be prepared for the coming empire. The rejection of Christ by the Jews made the immediate coming of the Kingdom an impossibility. A new dispensation became necessary. The active organization in this new dispensation is the church. It is through the church as an institution that the world is to be evangelized, which evangelization is the work of this dispensation preparatory to the coming of the Kingdom. We find, therefore, that the message of the church is

The Gospel of the Kingdom.

There are five out of the twenty-five passages in our sources which declare that the message of the apostles was the gospel of the Kingdom. The people believed Philip preaching the things of the Kingdom and were baptized (Acts 8:12). Paul went boldly about "persuading the things concerning the Kingdom of God." (Acts 19:8). On his way back to Jerusalem Paul said to those whom he met: "I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the Kingdom of God, shall see my face no more" (Acts 20:25). In Rome Paul called

the chief of the Jews together and "expounded and testified the Kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus" (Acts 28:23). And all the year in his own hired house he preached the gospel of the Kingdom (Acts 28:31). By referring back to the teaching of the four gospels we find that the Gospel of the Kingdom was a message of repentance. The gospel of the Kingdom is illustrated in Peter's sermon recorded in the second chapter of Acts.

The Kingdom a Future Consummation.

The Kingdom is presented by the apostles as a future and glorious consummation. The first reference in this connection is found in the first chapter of the Acts: "When they were come together, they asked of Him saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the Kingdom to Israel?" (1:6). Two things are evident: First, they had the current Jewish conception of the Kingdom; and second, they did not believe that the Kingdom was at that time established. Christ's answer also establishes two things: First, that the Kingdom was a future consummation; and second, that the time of its establishment was in the power of God.

Turning from this to the actual teaching of the Epistles we find Paul saying: "Then cometh the end when He shall have delivered up the Kingdom to God, even the Father; when He shall have abolished all rule and all authority and power" (I Cor. 15:24-25). And again Paul speaks of the coming of Christ to "judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His Kingdom." These passages undoubtedly connect the coming of the Lord and the coming of the Kingdom. This is made more apparent when we remember that "flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God" (I Cor. 15:50). Hence the resurrection is necessary before the Kingdom can come. Even those who remain until the coming of Christ shall be changed (I Cor. 15:51-53).

James teaches also that the Kingdom is a future consummation. "Harken, my beloved brethren," says he, "hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the Kingdom which He hath promised to them that love Him?" (James 2:5). In this passage, as Dr. Dargan observes, the Kingdom "which He hath promised" looks forward to the final consummation of the Kingdom in the future. Peter says: "For so an entrance shall be administered unto you abundantly into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (II Peter 1:11). This entrance is to be administered, and hence the Kingdom into which believers are to come is not yet. Paul in speaking of himself, says: "And the Lord shall deliver me from evil work, and will preserve me unto His heavenly Kingdom" (II Tim. 4:18). These passages conclusively show that, in the thought of the apostles, the Kingdom as a regency or organization was yet in the future and that its coming or establishment would be a future glorious consummation.

The Character of the Kingdom.

In speaking of the character of the Kingdom Paul tells us that "it is not meat and drink, but righteousness, peace and joy in

the Holy Spirit." (Rom. 14:17). This statement has nothing to do with the time of the Kingdom's coming. In Colossians (1:13) we have the only reference that seems to teach a present Kingdom. But as Myer observes the reference there is to the realm of sin as contrasted with the realm of life, and that through the redemption of Christ men are translated from the realm of darkness into the realm of light and become citizens of the Kingdom of Christ. It is also to be noticed that Paul uses the phrase "Kingdom of His dear Son," which is, now, beyond the shadow of doubt, the church.

This review of the apostles teaching shows that they had the same idea of the Kingdom that Jesus had. They thought that only the regenerated people could enter (See Acts 14:22; I Cor. 6:9; I Cor. 15:50; Gal. 5:21; I Thess. 2:12; II Thess. 1:5; James 2:5). There was a period of preparation for its coming, hence they were preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom. And that its coming was a future and glorious consummation coming after the resurrection and at the second coming of Christ.

A NEW EDITION OF THE BIBLE.

The American Bible Society has just issued a "Romanized" edition of the entire Bible in the Hingwa dialect, used in the Fukkien Province, China, not Romanized doctrinally or ecclesiastically, but by the use of our Roman—that is, English alphabet, instead of the difficult Chinese character. The book has an explanatory "foreword" in English.

The translation was made by four Chinese scholars under the direction of the Rev. William N. Brewster, and is put on sale by the society at about one-fifth of the cost of publishing.

A striking proof that the Bible finds an open door in the new China comes from Hanan Province, where one of the society's superintendents is making a careful canvass of the business houses in Changsha, the capital city of the province. He finds that not more than one in thirty of the business houses decline to purchase copies of the Scriptures.

GETS "HUFFY."

Please stop my paper. I see you have set in to lambast us for using tobacco, and I'm going to quit you. You can tell Buster Gunn that I'm out of his reach now and that he can shoot away. I know tobacco is good for a heap of things. You can reduce flesh and you can cure stings of yellow jackets and you can stop toothache; and you can dye with it; or you can chew it and smoke it. It don't worry my wife a bit because she dips snuff and can't smell my breath. The children were all born in my house and are used to it. I generally spit out of the window in summer, and into the fire in winter. I can't work when I haven't got it, and I have to work to get money to buy it, because I am poor and reckon I always will be. You ask too much for your paper, anyway. I will pay you what I owe you when I catch up.

Noah Lott.

CAIN AND ABEL.

Please permit me to say a few things through your columns on our Sunday School lesson for last Sunday. I greatly enjoyed what Dr. Berry had to say on the lesson, but he is not expected to say everything that might be said. Let me first quote a sentence from him, which I most heartily endorse, but in which I would like to expatiate: "There was nothing intrinsically good in the vocation and altar gift inherent in Abel, neither was the vocation and altar gift inherent in Cain." In "The Heart of the Old Testament," Dr. Sampey asks: "Why did Jehovah accept Abel's offering and reject Cain's?" He answers: "Chiefly because Abel offered in faith, and Cain offered in unbelief." Now, these answers would be sufficient if every one fully understood what is meant by faith and unbelief. Now let me call attention to a few facts and see if I can show the distinction. Cain and Abel were both religious men. I do not mean that they were saved men. There are many religious men and women today who are unsaved, and who will be saved. But it is very evident that Cain and Abel both brought an offering unto the Lord. They both believed in the existence of God. The very fact that they brought an offering unto the Lord shows that they believed in God, and that they were conscious of their guilt. They were both sinners, for they were both born, not made, but outside of paradise. They came into the world partakers of a fleshly, fallen, ruined, irreparable nature. Adam could only communicate his fallen nature, for that which is born of the flesh is flesh."

Here, then, we have two religious sinners coming before God with their offerings. Why is one accepted and the other rejected? "By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and by it he being dead yet speaketh."

This clearly implies that Cain did not have faith in that his gift was not made in faith. He evidently believed in the existence of God, but that did not make his offering an offering of faith. What did Abel believe more than Cain? Now, listen, Cain and Abel were both sinners. The penalty of sin is death. Death stood between them and Jehovah. In Cain's offering there was no recognition of whatever of this fact. He knew that he was a sinner else he would never have brought an offering at all. But he seems entirely ignorant of the remedy for sin. "Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin." He was guilty of the highest degree of presumption. He will worked to produce this offering, but that of that? Some say that he was not sincere. How do you know? Let us suppose that he was sincere; would that alter the case? Certainly not. He was an unsaved sinner coming into the presence of God to present "an unbloody

sacrifice." He would make God a receiver rather than a giver. Now let us consider Abel's offering. What is there about it? We are no where told that his offering was accepted because he was more sincere than Cain. Abel realized the fact that he was a sinner, and that death was the penalty of sin. "The wages of sin is death." But he also entered by faith into the glorious truth that there was such a thing as a sinner placing the death of another between himself and the consequence of his sin, that the claims of God's nature, and the demands of God, could be met by the blood of an innocent spotless victim. Here we have God's command and the sinner's deep necessity fully met. This is the doctrine of the cross, in which alone the sinner's heart can find repose, and in which God can be just and the justifier of the ungodly. Abel like other heroes of faith embraced the promises. He accepted God's plan. He placed the death of a spotless victim, a type of the spotless Lamb of God, between him and an offended God, and thereby obtained witness of God that he was righteous. To reject God's plan and substitute man's is fatal. In the first instance it led to bitter hatred and murder, and ever since it has led to the fiercest persecution. Please settle definitely what it was that Abel believed and which Cain did not believe.

Fraternally,

A. J. Preston.

"THE HEART, AND NOT WHAT IS IN THE HAND."

In our Sunday School lesson of the 26th, these words, in the comments, are found: "It is the heart at which God looks, and not what is in the hand." Is this altogether true? Is this dealing fair with God?

Cain and Abel brought an offering each before the Lord; to one the Lord had respect and to the other He did not have respect. Where did the difference lie? Was it in the attitude of the heart towards God or was it in the sacrifice offered? The Scripture, to me, seems to justify the interpretation that the cause lay both in the attitude of the heart and also the sacrifice offered. God had neither respect to the offerer nor the offering. Cain's heart was wrong before God and though he had offered such an offering that God would have been pleased with, He would not have had respect to it. He said to the Jews when their worship became an empty form, "to what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me?" (Isa. 1:11), indicating that the heart must be right before a right sacrifice is acceptable. Because Cain's heart was not right is most likely the reason for his offering being a possible wrong one. We read that God had respect to Abel's offering which was proof that it was one which was pleasing to God.

To interpret Abel's offering as looking forward to the coming of the Christ as a sacrifice well pleasing to the Lord is taught by some Bible students as being fanciful and unjustifiable. It is true, we cannot affirm that it did, nor that he was commanded to offer a bloody sacrifice and it is equally true that we cannot say that it did not typ-

ify and foreshadow the coming of Christ as our sacrifice, nor can we deny that the Lord did not command the early worshippers to approach Him through bloody sacrifices.

The sacrifice offered by Abel was a bloody one and was one to which the Lord God had respect as well as the worshipper. If God had given any command with reference to the kind of sacrifice that should be offered Abel had offered that. If God gave a command Abel knew what it was and knowing what it was he offered the thing commanded or else he would have been disobedient and God would not have accepted his offering.

The worshippers had some knowledge of what would please God. Abel believed God, and Cain, like many men today, disbelieved Him. Surely Cain believed that he could do as it pleased him with reference to his sacrifice and it would be the same. Here some may charge me reading in the Scripture what is not there. By reference to Hebrew 11:4 we learn that "By faith Abel offered a more excellent sacrifice than Cain." Here it is clear that if Cain had believed God as did Abel he, too, would have offered an excellent sacrifice which would have been pleasing to God. The "excellent sacrifice" was a bloody one.

Notice again, Abel obtained witness through the sacrifice which he offered that he was righteous. Abel was acting in the bounds of God's will when he offered the bloody sacrifice to God, and God gave recognition of the fact.

Can we say that Abel would slay an animal with which to sacrifice unto God without some good reason? Abel was a righteous man, a man of feeling and fine sense, and it is hardly likely that he would have made an offering of blood without knowing what was the will of God in the premises.

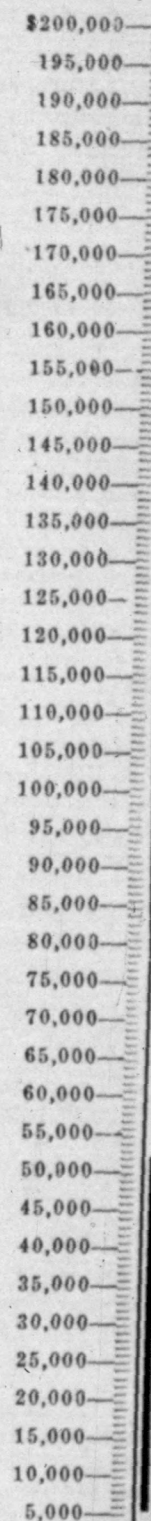
By a casual reading of this Scripture we would get, and do get, the impression that this was the first time these sons ever offered a sacrifice unto God. To say that it is to go beyond authority; to say that they spontaneously decided to offer a sacrifice is transcending our bounds and we have no record that God commanded them to offer sacrifices. Where did they get their idea? They either were brought up under the idea or it spontaneously sprang up in their minds, or God commanded them to do it. They had doubtless seen their father offer sacrifices unto God, or else they were commanded to sacrifice unto God. One of the three positions must be the correct one. We are forced to one of these positions. And the most reasonable interpretation is that they had seen their father offer sacrifices or that they were commanded to make the sacrifice, and if so, why would not God direct the kind? Now if God did, it is hardly tenable that He would have respect to any other kind of offering than that which He commanded.

Now, we are led to the thought introduced in the beginning of this discussion: Would Cain's offering unto God have been acceptable even if his heart had been right toward God? Now, as the Scriptures indicate, if he knew what God's will in the matter was,

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For an example, we will take the act of baptism. There are those whose hearts are right with God and they are as conscientious in the practice of sprinkling as we are in the practice of baptism. Will God accept their practice of sprinkling and bless them in it as He will those who do the very thing which He has commanded? If so, we may take any liberty with His Word which we please. You say then the heart would not be right with God. True, but why would God accept one thing from one man and not the same from another, when He has provided for no exceptions?

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENDOWMENT NOTES.

Brother E. D. Solomon kindly consented to give some time toward the endowment. Arrangements were made with Pastor Whitfield, of McComb City, and Brother Solomon joined him in a campaign on the third Sunday in January, and the result was that there was raised \$144.00 in cash and subscriptions for the First church and the other churches to hear from yet. We feel profoundly grateful to Brother Solomon, Brother Whitfield and those who so kindly stood by them in this work. May the Lord graciously reward each one of them!

Dr. Provine made an address to Hillman College on the work, and Mrs. Berry made a personal canvass of the students and the faculty, and it resulted in a subscription of over \$1,000.00. That does not include Dr. W. T. Lawrey's subscription of \$1,000.00, which, if counted, would run them up to over \$2,000.00. This is fine, and we most highly appreciate the co-operation and help of our sister college.

The campaign continues. We have reached the \$50,000.00 mark. Many churches think it is not the best time for the secretary to come to them, but he must go somewhere or the work will stop. He cannot wait for good times at every church. Brother Pastor, talk the matter over with your members and then write me to come and see you. We are asking for subscriptions, the first payment of which will be due November 1, 1913. Since we are to have but little cash from each church surely you will not keep me away. Let me come and get the subscriptions and go on elsewhere, and thus get the amount subscribed and claim the offer of the educational society. As Baptists, we cannot afford to fail to claim that magnificent gift of \$100,000, on condition that we raise \$50,000. Mrs. S. M. Smith, of Clarksdale, sent me a cash subscription and also filled out the blank published in The Baptist Record a few weeks ago, and I have mailed her a bond-to be signed. How many more will emulate her example?

If seven thousand were to do as she has done we would have the full amount and \$10,000 to spare for surplus. How many Baptists in Mississippi? The historian tells us that there are 150,000.

Well, some of you want to see me, and are waiting till I come. All right, I'll be there soon, and be ready when I come. If I do not get there as soon as you would like, just drop me a line like some other good folks have done and I will come at once.

The people are kind wherever I go, and are helping to the point of sacrifice, and may the Lord reward them.

Fraternally, W. A. McComb.

Even though the heart is right, God does look upon the gift in the hand.

L. F. Gregory.

TIDINGS OF THE KINGDOM

The following letter was received from the young man recently treated at the Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson, who was helped by some of the readers to go to El Paso, Texas, on account of having tuberculosis:

"My dear friends:
I take this means of thanking you and the Baptists of Jackson for your extreme kindness to me while in your hospital, and afterwards. Not only did you care for me while I was ill, and without cost, but you turned my wandering soul to Jesus. From the Giver of all good I have gotten that happiness and content which money can never buy. It is indeed a great work you folks are engaged in, and henceforth I will try and do my share. I pray that God will bless you all and give you the happiness you have given me.

I am, yours truly,
J. M. Barstow, El Paso, Texas.
January 24, 1913, general delivery.

M. J. Derr, Ackerman: "I have waited for one month to say something about my new work at Ackerman and French Camp. We find here an appreciative people. They have received us with open arms. They are as considerate of the new pastor and wife as people could be. The church at Ackerman gave us entertainment all we could get set up in the pastor's home. Then they brought us an abundance of good things. We have a splendid pastor's home. The ladies have had it wired for use and we have electric lights. We have very fine congregations both here and at French Camp. I feel that the Lord placed us here and under Him I want that we shall do the best work of our lives. There is large opportunity all over this association for usefulness. We will begin our mission work next Sunday, beginning with Home Missions. I find the former pastors who labored here very much esteemed. Brother Nutt did very fine work in building the church and home. We have a good back church building, splendid auditorium, six Sunday School rooms. Our Sunday School is good, under the leadership of our efficient superintendent, S. B. Dobbs. I found Brother A. H. Mahaffey, the retiring pastor, much loved. He did not leave us very far, going to Louisville, Miss."

WISE MOVEMENT.

The organization of the Jefferson Davis County Baptist Association was a movement in the right direction. Every thickly populated county ought to have its county Baptist association. District associations should not cover so large an area. Smaller bodies with their churches in closer contact with each other will develop more rapidly.

Perry county Baptist churches have also formed the Perry County Baptist Association. The work is fairly begun, and now let's push it until our South Mississippi churches shall be grouped and organized along lines of convenience and common sense.

By all means the Baptist churches of Jones county ought at once to begin to take steps toward organizing a Jones County Baptist Association. Brethren Loper, Morris, Gunter, Cranford, and others in that county would do well to agitate it right now. Forest and Lamar could unite and form a fine association.

Since it has gotten started, this re-organization work is going to go on until our forces are better harmonized. A good degree of wisdom is needed to get the best results as long as the churches of this work. In the first place, take time enough. Let the matter be wisely put before every church in the county or territory

to comprise the territorial scope of the association to be organized. Let all Baptist churches within the county or near its borders be invited to join in the movement. Let the first meeting be a convention of appointed messengers of the churches empowered to discuss the propriety of forming an association and to form it if in convention it is decided to be advisable.

In some cases it might be well for interested parties to divide the work and visit every church, laying before them the advantages to be derived from the proposed organization.

Purvis, Miss.

T. J. Moore.

SEMINARY LETTER.

J. D. Franks.

Things have again settled down to about normal. The theological mill is sawing away as usual—turning out slowly, but surely, we trust, some very valuable timber.

Missionary Day brought us again to high tide. The reports of the various committees were unusually interesting. I was especially interested in the report on street work, as I have been engaged in that work. Later, I want to relate some of the experiences we have had in these street meetings. They are varied and some of them very rich.

Dr. J. M. Frost, of the Sunday School Board, was the principle speaker of the occasion. He brought us a soul-stirring message on Baptists in general, but speaking in particular of their attitude toward the Bible. He also left with each of us a complimentary copy of his little book entitled "An Experience of Grace," which we all appreciated very much.

The Gay lectures have just closed. Dr. R. H. Pitt, editor of the Religious Herald, Richmond, Va., was the lecturer. His general subject was "The Age-long Struggle for the Dignity of the Person." In his first lecture he, in a very sweeping and general way, traced this struggle through the history of various departments of human life. In his second lecture he narrowed his discussion to one important phase of the subject, viz: the struggle of the value and dignity of the person as against that of property. In his third and last lecture he made a practical application of his entire discussion in the light of present day conditions, with special reference to Baptist opportunity. In this course of lectures we had very forcibly brought before our minds, though not unduly emphasized, the fact that God has assigned a very high value and dignity to the human life, as well as the immortal soul. After hearing these lectures we are better able to appreciate the words of our Lord when He said, "What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" ("Life" is the correct word here; not "soul.")

Two of our Mississippi men are leaving us this week: Brother R. L. Wallace has just finished his two years' course here. He settles down with his church at New Liberty, Ky. Brother Wallace is one of our strongest and best men. We hate to give him up from among us. I wish some Mississippi church would pull him back home. These Mississippi boys naturally love their native State more than any other. They are, in a peculiar sense, in sympathy with all the denominational movements of the State and for this reason should be kept in the State, if possible. Brother A. A. Stanley takes up work with the Second church, of Somerset, Ky. He contemplates being back in the Seminary again before a very great while.

How time flies! Four months already gone! Can't realize it, but it must be a fact; the calendar says so.

NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI BIBLE INSTITUTE.

This institute was organized seven or eight years ago and has come to be one of our best gatherings and a permanent meeting. It held its recent session at Pontotoc, beginning on Tuesday, January 28, and closed Friday, January 31st, after four days of pleasurable and profitable study of God's Word. The meeting is a volunteer gathering of ministers and laymen of Northeast Mississippi to study together God's Word. The lines of territory are not strictly drawn. We have no teachers for these meetings nor have we any topics but discuss carefully and rather critically the book or chapter before us. This year we discussed Paul's letter to Timothy, first book.

Among the ministers present were Brethren Barton, Barksdale, Riley, Rogers, Beasley, Stegall, Wesson, Gayer, Henderson, Mahaffey, A. H. Jordan, Cooper, and a number of younger ministers, all of whose names I did not learn. The pastor, R. A. Cooper, was elected moderator and W. A. Jordan, secretary of the meeting.

Brother Cooper and his people did themselves proud in entertainment. I never saw finer hospitality. Each one had the best home in Pontotoc. The music was inspiring and uplifting. The local attendance was very good, exceptionally fine, which speaks well for Brother Cooper and his work there. The sermons by Revs. Wesson, Taylor and Barton were helpful and inspiring.

The discussions of all the brethren showed careful preparation. Almost every question of doctrine and practice was touched upon during the week. The writer's talk on "Predestination" precipitated quite a discussion—all in a friendly spirit, however. This writer took strong grounds for Bible election and predestination. Brother Cooper said that he had never been strong on election. Brother Wesson took issue with the writer on the ground that he could not understand election—that is, he did not understand it the way I taught it—unconditional election. Brother Wendell, the Methodist preacher at Pontotoc, endorsed Brother Wesson's position. Brother Barton made a strong speech in which he said that he accepted the doctrine of election because the Bible taught it, but did not pretend to explain it. But also believed in human responsibility. He sided in the discussion with this writer. Brother Barksdale said that he had studied the doctrine of election for four weeks and didn't know any more about it than he did when he began. He believed in it but never preached it.

The Methodist and Presbyterian ministers were present much of the time, especially Brother Wendell, the Methodist pastor. He took quite a lively interest in all the discussions up to the very last. It must have been quite a unique experience for a Methodist preacher to take part in the discussion of the pure Word of God. I don't suppose it would be possible for them to have such a meeting. I suggest that Brother Wendell and his brethren in the northeastern part of the State try such a one. It would be an interesting meeting to attend. Brother Wendell told Brother Barton that he misrepresented Methodism in that the Methodist church did not teach salvation by works but taught salvation by faith, and faith was not a work. He wanted all of us preachers to get it out of our head that Methodists taught salvation by works. All this was quite interesting. He announced that he would preach on that question in Pontotoc on the fourth Sunday in February, setting forth the Methodist position. The meeting did a great deal of good I think. The next meeting will be held at West Point, Miss. Let every preacher in Northeast Mississippi consider himself invited to this meeting.

W. A. Jordan, Sec'y.
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THE CALL OF ABRAHAM.

Genesis 12:1-9.

Motto Text: "I will bless thee, and make thy name great, and be thou a blessing."

According to the fifth chapter of Genesis Noah was the tenth name in the genealogy from Adam. In the eleventh chapter we learn that Abram is the tenth from Shem, son of Noah. The reader may be un mindful of the fact that we have swept across two thousand years of history since our studies on the creation of Adam, and no one how long since the time described in the first verse of Genesis.

The call of Abram brings us to where dates are more reliable. This is about two thousand years B. C. Adam was the beginning of the whole race of mankind; the call of Abram the origin of the Hebrew, or Semitic nation. All Semitic peoples sprang from Shem; the Indo-European, or Aryans are the descendants of Japheth; The Tyranian stock come down from Ham.

A Fable and a Fact.

A beautiful tradition says that one day Abram watched the sun as it rose above the horizon, and pierced the Babylonian plains with myriad pencils of shimmering golden light. Then he bowed himself in reverence before the sun, and worshipped until noonday, and till evening. But the king of day disappeared, and the son of Terah said: "The sun has gone and I won't worship the sun." When the curtains of night were drawn the stars smiled with merry twinkle, and the moon rose in pale, sad beauty, to make the shadows skip and play like spirit lovers keeping tryst. "Now," said Abram, "I will worship the moon as god."

So all night long he prostrated himself in worshipful reverence before the queen of the night. But "rosy fingered dawn" again rolled back the curtains of darkness, and dew-drops glistened on leaf and bower, while swelling bird throats caroled a te Deum to the Creator, and Abram arose from the earth and vowed "I will worship not the sun, or moon, but the One Who made the sun and moon, and the stars, and all things else."

The tradition may express a truth, for we read in Joshua (24:2): "Thus saith Jehovah, the God of Israel, your fathers dwelt of old time beyond the river, even Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nahor; and they served other gods." So we know that Abraham was brought up in idolatrous surroundings and there may have been a time when he was an idolater. But God chose him as the head of the nation. Out of the unlikely surroundings frequently come the most wonderful products. "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth? Come and see!"

The Call and the Promise.—Verses 1-3.

God made a pretty hard requirement of Abram—"get thee out of thy country and from thy kindred,

and from thy father's house." God calls His people to a life of separation and sometimes great hardship. Duty may be out of one's native country. God calls men today as distinctly as then. One's country, kindred and father, even, may be hindrances, and stumbling-blocks to one's spiritual prosperity, from which things God must free him. You should not go in the way of Father, if Father goes wrong. "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and Him only shalt thou serve."

But a great blessing, wonderful compensation is promised for this hard thing. "I will make of thee a great nation—and make thy name great." God always requires the performance of difficult duty with commensurate blessing, yea, and much more than commensurate. With almost seeming regret, Peter said, "We have left all and followed Thee;" what is the compensation? "A hundred fold now in this time," said the Master, "and in the world to come eternal life." His yoke is easy and His burden light.

The Sovereignty of God.

This call is an exhibition of grace supreme. The whole world was in sin. All men were idolaters, probably. This man's father worshipped false gods. He may have done so himself sometime before this. The tower of Babel represents the most arrogant conditions of natural religion, and most awful development of pride. In the blackness of moral midnight God communicates His will unto a human soul, and wins to Himself "the father of the faithful," and the father of the promised seed. Christ walked by the sea and said to fishermen, "Follow me," and they left their nets and went after their new Master. Saul, with the venomous hate, and deadly design of a persecutor of Christ's people in his heart, approached Damascus, but those sovereign words of grace and love, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?" brought him to the earth, and from that moment Jesus Christ never had a completer slave. God is supreme over men.

The Benefactor of All the World.

"In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." This could be true only in his being the progenitor of Jesus Christ. It is undoubtedly Messianic. It is a protavangelium like Genesis 3:15, where the seed of the woman would bruise the serpent's head. So, to Abram, two thousand years before the angels caroled the coming of the King and the shepherds sought the babe in Bethlehem, the Saviour was heralded as a world-conqueror. Now, four thousand years later, some belated "Christians" in name if not in fact, are in doubt about the propriety, necessity and urgency of preaching the gospel to all the world!

The Patriarch's Obedience.—Verses 4-6.

No wonder he is called "the friend of God." He follows Jehovah's command into an unknown

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land; he spares not his own son the child of promise, and the hope of the nations, when the Lord requires Isaac; he says goodbye to his father, who was a hundred and forty-five years old, that he might do God's will. Marvelous man this! His Wanderings in Canaan.—Verses 6-9.

The first stop was at Shechem. The word signifies "shoulder" or "back." This place is on a mountain or hillside. It was called Shechem, Sychem, and Sychar. Vespasian changed the name to Neapolis meaning "new city," and this is corrupted by the Turks to Nablus. Here Abram built the first altar in the promised land; here Jacob dug the well where Jesus talked (see fourth chapter John) to the Samaritan woman of the water of life; here were Mount Gerizim on the north and Mount Ebal on the south; here Joshua delivered his last counsels, Rehoboam was crowned king, the ten tribes revolted from the house of David, and chose Jeroboam as ruler, and Shechem their first capital; here Joseph was buried in the land of his fathers. It is now a village of some five thousand people, among whom are five hundred Greek Christians, a hundred and fifty Samaritans, and a few Jews, who hate the Samaritans as inveterately as they did in Christ's time. "Jacob's well is a mile and a half east of the city; is about seventy-five feet deep; excavated the solid rock, perfectly round, nine feet in diameter, with the sides smooth and regular." It is the best authenticated spot in Palestine. We know that on its curb the Savior sat and taught. At this place God promised the land to Abram and his seed.

Later the patriarch moves on and settles between Bethel "house of God," and Ai, "heap of ruins." Here also he builds an altar and calls on the name of the God Who has led him all the way. But he is a sojourner in a strange land, "dwelling in tents, with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he looked for the city which hath the foundations, whose builder and maker is God," and Abram journeyed, going on still toward the South.

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FROM THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE

We are glad to tell you that we now have on hand plenty of report blanks. Should you need same, write this office and they will be sent at once.

Specifying of report blanks, quite a number of reports have come in from societies since the quarterly report was mailed into the printer, but they all appear in our next quarterly report. But again we urge the societies to report all work.

Your secretary has had the privilege of meeting with societies in New Albany, Pontotoc, Blue Mountain, Fern, Myrtle, and Wallerville in the northern portion of the State, and in Yazoo City since she last wrote you. Work in each place was pleasant, and we believe profitable. Some immediate results were boxes sent to missionaries West—three of them—and they were so needed. Our hearts were filled with gratitude for such lady workers.

From the week of prayer that reach this office are all full of joy and thanksgiving. A number speak of the blessings received. In one church a Y. W. A. and Sunbeam Band were organized for the program on our young people.

Literature for the March week of prayer is being sent out this week. Should you fail to get yours after a reasonable time please notify this office. We pray that every society will observe the week, and gather in offering for Home Missions. And after the gathering, make a report of the same. Let us see to it that our apportionments are met this year.

On Sunday, February 2, your secretary enters upon the campaign in Lincoln County Association. It is our desire to assist in the organization of a society in each church in the association, as well as to help those already organized. As you meet your society, sister, will you not remember specially at the throne of our Father that your secretary as she goes

about this work?

Y. W. A. NOTES.

Fine reports and letters are coming in from our auxiliaries and all are trying to come up with and even exceed their apportionments.

Such a splendid plan from the Hattiesburg Woman's College. A two-cent postage stamp given each Sunday morning, and ere Christmas the offering amounted to \$25.00 including all contributions, and on Thanksgiving morning their thank-offering was \$10.00. Thank God for such self-sacrificing girls and such a leader! Remember, this is a very young organization!

Let us extend a hearty welcome to our new members at the following places: Forest, leader, Mrs. Kent; Canton, Miss Eugenia Stokes; Greenwood Juniors, Mrs. J. A. Sproles; Indianola Seniors, Mrs. J. P. Bailey. Greenwood and Indianola now have two flourishing auxiliaries each. Also new members at New Albany, Miss Maryetta Buchanan; Blue Mountain Juniors, Miss Clara Etta Berry; Greenville, Mrs. J. H. Cashin. Many others are inquiring the way and the invitation is "Come on and help us, we need every Baptist young woman in Mississippi."

It was the good pleasure of your leader to meet with the young women of Greenville, Indianola, and Greenwood at a very recent date. She cannot say enough of the sweet hospitality extended her, and these Delta girls caused her to come back with a heart brimful of enthusiasm and inspiration. With the success of the Greenville Y. W. A. there will come the solution of what is today a serious problem in our work. We will hear from them as soon as it is wise, to tell us the secret. Mrs. J. H. Cashin is the efficient Y. W. A. leader of the Deer Creek association and she will bring things to pass in that wonderful part of the country. The Indianola and Greenwood churches have cause to be proud of their Senior and Junior auxiliaries in each place. They are meeting regularly and are learning to study and pray and give the very best of their young lives to the service.

Such a bright letter came from our dear young secretary of the Eupora Y. W. A.'s, Miss Ollie Norwood. They are but just organized, but their plans and suggestions will help us all. "At the close of the week of prayer we gave the following program for the W. M. U.: Over the

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The year 1912 has passed, as it doubtless has with many other small Mississippi towns. It had many things which memory holds dear. In the summer I was helped in meetings at Houlika and Woodland by my brother "S. G." who loves the old Gospel and honors the Lord by spreading it. Ten grown people by experience were the happy fruits. At Pleasant Grove I had no ministerial help, but ex-Pastor J. L. Henderson was as good a "scotcher" as I ever had. At the close I baptized eleven—two the fruits of the Woodland meeting. One of these was my name-sake, Cooper Henderson. I have been honored far beyond my deserts by parents, but this was the first time I ever had the pleasure of baptizing a name-sake. Considering both the smallness of our territory both our congregations and ingathering were encouraging. At Pontotoc my kinsman according to the flesh, James B. Leavell, and his excellent singer, Scholfield, helped. Each year my people say that the last preacher is the best. This was no exception. "Am" captured my folks. Twelve were baptized at the close, and four later. In these meetings every one who made a profession "joined some church;" and, except one, all joined Baptist churches.

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the salary is increased and paid more promptly than ever before. Our contributions to the work have increased steadily from the first. One of the brethren supports two native workers in the foreign field and a young lady school teacher supports another. We have a ladies' mission society and then an auxiliary of the younger sisters. They make their money not by "bazaars" and "suppers," and "fairly—they quilt, work! As happy bands as you will likely find anywhere are these two groups of sisters when they carry lunches and quilt all day from thirty to sixty together. This evening they united and started a box to a frontier missionary valued at \$177.65. Then there is Brother Shannon's Philathea class measuring arms quite nobly with their older sisters. They, too, are supporting a native worker. "How do I manage them?" Why, I just don't do it. They do these things, not because the pastor keeps everlastingly after them, but because they love the Lord and His work. He rarely ever makes a suggestion, even. He just keeps on preaching "salvation by grace through faith" and they think up and do the work. Sometimes when I return from a trip it seems that I had better have stayed away—they seem to get along better without me than with me. But this is already too long and there are lots that I yet want to say. Goodbye, 1912, with a few shadows you have brought me much sunshine. In good hope behind the blood, R. A. Cooper.



NEWS IN THE CIRCLE MARTIN BALL

Dr. W. M. Harris, of Texarkana, Texas, goes to Thomasville, Ga. The Texans are loathe to give him up. He is a native Georgian, and Thomasville is a great church.

Dr. H. A. Tupper has resigned the Calvary church, Brooklyn, N. Y., and will give himself to the lecture platform and to literary work, for which he is so well fitted.

Rev. C. M. Brewster, who has been field editor of the Baptist Messenger, in Oklahoma for sometime, has accepted a call to the church at Valiant, Okla., and will enter the field at once.

The campaign for the endowment of the Southwestern Seminary is beginning in earnest. The field day at Waco, Texas, was a great day; \$15,000 secured and they hope to make it \$20,000.

The North McKinney church at McKinney, Texas, is planning to build a \$20,000 church. Rev. Jeff Davis is the pastor. You have heard that name before. The very name carries weight with it.

Dr. Luther Little declines the call to Spokane and will remain at Seattle, Washington. We think that is right. Dr. Little has been at Seattle but a short time and scarcely has the work in hand there.

If brethren will send us news notes from their fields, we will promise that no one will consider it advertising themselves, but an incentive to others to press forward Kingdom matters and be more faithful in their work.

The Atlanta Bible Conference will be held at Atlanta, Ga., March 7-17, under the direction of Dr. Len. G. Broughton. He will bring with him from England Evangelist G. Campbell Morgan. It is worth while to listen to him.

Pastor C. W. Culp has resigned the church at Alto Pass, Ill., to accept the urgent call to Anna, same state. He did a great work at Alto Pass, during his six years' pastorate, and the church much regretted its part with him.

Rev. W. R. Cooper, the general missionary of the State Board to the Delta, will reside at Itta Bena. He is familiar with the work in the Delta, and doubtless will accomplish much good. He was formerly pastor at Itta Bena.

Rev. J. Crawford has resigned the pastorate at Perry, Okla. He has two sons in the ministry who are doing admirable work for the Master. Brother Crawford will be supply pastor at Sumner, Okla., until a regular pastor is secured.

The late Senator Money said that our Mississippi beach is the finest in the world. Why not have a great encampment—the greatest of all—on our beautiful beach, surpassing Texas at Palacios or Virginia at Virginia beach? We can do it.

Pastor Harry Leland Martin, of Indianola, gets out a weekly church Bulletin which keeps his members in touch with all the doings of the church during the entire week. Last Sunday night the pastor announced that he would preach on "The Church and Amusements."

Dr. H. H. Hutton, the eloquent pastor of the First church, Oklahoma City, is aiding in a meeting at Olivet church, a small organization near Oklahoma City. That is the kind of city pastors we need. Dr. Hutton preaches with zeal and power in a country schoolhouse.

The report reaches us that in the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., there are students from ten foreign countries. Many students came from the Northern States. The influence of the Seminary is felt around the globe. How could it be otherwise with such a president and faculty?

The Winona brethren are kind enough to put the money in the hands of the pastor and say to him: "We want you to represent us in the Laymen's Convention at Chattanooga." Our excellent editor commissions this scribe to report the convention for The Baptist Record.

Dr. J. Frank Norris, of Fort Worth, Texas, is assisting in a meeting with the Broadway church, Ardmore, Okla., F. M. Masters, pastor. The forces of sin will soon know that Dr. Norris is in town. We need more such as he to meet the enemy and score victories for our Lord's Kingdom.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH—BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.

There were 2,357 children born in the State of Mississippi during the month of November according to the report filed with the State Board of Health under the new law requiring the registration of births and deaths.

Of this number of births 1,597 were white, and 760 negroes; making the birth rate for the State 15.3 per 1,000 population. The white rate being 23.7, the negro rate 8.8. No doubt the actual negro birth rate is in excess of the white and those returns would indicate that the negro births were not being reported. The birth rate of white children in this State compares favorably with the states that have been registering births for several years.

It is important that each child's birth be registered. The records of births and deaths will in the future often be required for legal purposes. Parents and relatives should see to it that they are promptly reported.

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Pastor R. E. Carney, of Jonesboro, Ill., has recently been aided in a good meeting by J. H. Pennock. There were 25 additions—21 by baptism. The weather conditions were adverse to the meeting and there were other unfavorable conditions, but the Lord was in the meeting.

The sad news of the death of Mrs. Geo. W. Leavell, of Oxford, has been received. She has lived a noble life. The world is blessed through her splendid sons, in addition to the Christly influence and beautiful example she has left behind. To her to live was Christ and to die is gain.

Editor I. N. Penick, pastor at Martin, Tenn., is engaged in a fine meeting with his church. He has for his help Dr. Wm. P. Hearce. He preaches each day at 2 p. m., a service on "Prayer," and the evening hour is given to evangelistic work. The meeting begins with bright prospects.

Rev. W. A. McComb, who is in charge of the work of raising the \$200,000 endowment for Mississippi College, spent a few hours between trains in Winona this week. He says that the signs are hopeful, but it will require much hard work by every pastor in the State as well as many laymen.

Dr. Robt. Stewart McArthur, president of the World's Alliance, has resigned as successor to Dr. Len. G. Broughton, of the Tabernacle church, Atlanta, Ga. Dr. McArthur will return to New York at once. The church will take no steps to obtain another pastor until after the Bible conference in March.

Dr. H. A. Porter, of the Walnut street church, Louisville, Ky., has declined the call to Gaston Avenue church, Dallas, Texas. They offered him \$1,000 more salary than he was receiving at Louisville. When his decision was announced the church gave him an ovation. Let the man hide out who says that preachers are preaching for the money there is in it.

FRIENDSHIP.

By Abbie Farwell Brown.

Gold cannot buy it,
Poverty try it;
Thrift may not cheapen it,
Sorrow must deepen it;
Joy cannot lose it,
Malice abuse it;
Wit cannot choke it,
Folly provoke it;
Age can but strengthen it,
Time only lengthen it;
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KANSAS WOMAN HELPLESS.

Lawrence, Kas.—Mr. J. F. Stone, of this city, says: "My wife suffered for ten years from womanly troubles, during two years of which she was totally helpless. She was examined by many physicians, some of whom gave her up to die. Finally she began to take Cardui, and since then has greatly improved in health. The tonic, strengthening, and restorative effects of Cardui, the woman's tonic, on the womanly constitution, are the most valuable qualities of this popular medicine. Cardui acts specifically on the womanly constitution. Half a century of success proves that Cardui will do all that is claimed for it. Try it for your trouble."

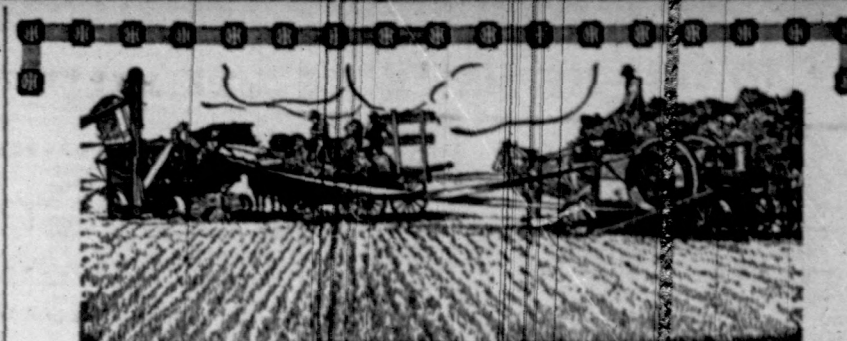
bin is needed to go in their midst and open a school for their special benefit, and teach all that will attend the school, free, and give them a prayer and lesson from the Bible daily; if, however, they are so scattered that this course will not meet the demands, then some other must be sought. Now where is the preacher that can and will go there and preach for those people, and teach them so that they may learn to read and be able to study God's Word for themselves? This is a great work for some one, and it seems to me that some one able to teach and also a preacher that has not regular work already ought to be willing to take up that great work. I feel like I really ought to go into the work, but I realize that I am not competent as a teacher, and, therefore, feel it best that I finance, as far as I can, some one else to go.

Methinks I hear the Lord calling, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And can we hear the answer, "Here am I, send me." I feel that if our State Board is not in position to pay a minister-teacher for this work, that the Christians are. Hoping that something may be done, and done at once to relieve the situation."

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Finally, he turned toward the president and said, almost desperately, "Would you mind very much if I ordered a cocktail?" Then he flushed a little, and offered a laughing apology for making the request.

The other men exchanged surprised and significant glances, but they called the waiter and ordered the cocktail. When it came the guest drank it eagerly. In a few minutes he had become another man—the man of keen vision and quick mind who could be so useful in their great business. There was no more pre-occupation in his manner, no sniffling about in his chair. He was alert, eager, clear-headed.

But as the luncheon went on, neither the president nor the manager mentioned the real object of the interview. Each was thinking the matter over seriously, and neither could be sure of the other's secretly formed opinion. The situation became awkward. Finally, the president excused himself on the pretense of going into the library to speak to a friend who had just entered. But after speaking to his friend, he went straight to the desk and wrote a message on a telegraph

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Lutheran, from 4,081 circulation
to 5,000.

Episcopalian, reduced from 5,500
to 4,939.

Northern Presbyterian in the
South, increased from nothing to 10-
437.

Associate Reformed Presbyterian,
increased from 2,325 to 2,700.

Holiness, increased from 5,500 to
12,250.

Universalist, increased from nothing
to 1,000.

Cumberland Presbyterian, from
14,000 to 21,051.

Jewish, from 11,951 to 16,802.

Methodist Protestant, from nothing
to 1,000.

Primitive Baptist, from 3,000 to
11,750.

From these figures it appears that
the thirteen Southern States have in-
creased their consumption of relig-
ious literature very much faster than
the population has increased, and
owing to the larger circulation per
publication it is quite evident that
the literature is of better type than
it was fifteen years ago. The
Methodist church is the largest
church in the consumption of relig-
ious literature; the Baptist stands
second; the Presbyterian third; Dis-
ciples fourth.

The above comparison eliminates
all publications having a circulation
of less than 1,000 copies. Also all
publications on which the circula-
tion is not stated in the American
Newspaper Directory. There are
quite a large number of religious
publications which make no report
to any directory, and on which di-
rectory publishers find it practically
impossible to get information.

It is likely that in the thirteen
states the quantity of circulation of
religious literature considerably ex-
ceeds 2,500,000 circulation. This
is approximately one-fourth of all
the literature published in the
South.

From the above facts it is quite
evident that the thirteen Southern
States at least are growing more re-
ligious instead of less so, and are
consuming a constantly increasing
quantity of religious literature. In-
deed the circulation of religious lit-
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THE CHURCH AND THE CHURCH
PAPER.

By J. F. Jacobs.

The writer knows of two churches
in a nearby city which for many
years languished, showing but little
growth or progress in any direction.
Their pastors concluded that the le-
thargy of their people was due to the
fact that they were not fully in-
formed about church work, and did
not keep up with the progress of the
denomination; that they had too lit-
tle religious literature.

These pastors determined that ev-
ery family in their congregations
should receive their church paper.
A plan was laid before the govern-
ing body of each of these churches,
first, to canvass the congregations
and find out what families were sub-
scribers to church papers and what
families were not; second, to extend
that canvass so as to induce all of
the families which were not sub-
scribing for their church paper to
subscribe at once and become regu-
lar readers of the church paper;
and, third, after this canvass was
completed a fund was raised with
which to send the church paper free
of charge to these families which
were not able to subscribe for it at
their own cost. This work requir-
ed no great amount of effort. The
pastors explained the importance of
having every family thoroughly ac-
quainted with all the details in the
church work, with all the interests
of the denominations. They ex-
plained that even such worldly or-
ganizations as fraternal orders, la-
bor unions, social organizations, and
even the unorganized trades have
their representative organs with
large distribution among the people
interested, and that as a result great
progress was made. They explain-
ed that the church could not reach
its largest development until every
member is put in closest touch with
all of the various causes of the
church and with the development of
the church in all of its departments
by being induced to read the church
paper closely each week.

The members of these congrega-
tions saw the importance of this
step. A large number of them sub-
scribed. The old subscribers re-
newed their subscriptions. A fund
was quickly raised among the more
substantial members to send the
church paper to all the less prosper-

ous families, and the publishers of
the church papers were advised that
this policy would be maintained year
after year.

As a result these two churches
have grown wonderfully in member-
ship. Their spirituality has been
deepened. Their people have been
kept informed about church pro-
gress in all of its details. They
now take a live interest in church
affairs. Two important institutions
of the church have been developed
by these church organizations and
have grown to large importance in
the city in which these two churches
are located. The work of the pas-
tors is wonderfully enlarged, and at
the same time made pleasanter be-
cause it is more successful, and
therefore more interesting. These
two churches would not be without
their church paper, going into the
home of every member of the con-
gregation if the cost of the church
paper were several times as great as
it is.

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be a real live church, adopt this plan.
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ficers, and of your membership. And
if you have financial problems this
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SOUTHERN BAPTIST EDUCATION ASSOCIATION MEETING.

This meeting was held in the assembly room of the Tulane hotel, Nashville, Tenn., closing with a popular mass meeting at 3 p. m. on Sunday at the First Baptist church.

There were in attendance representatives from twelve states and 27 schools, a total attendance, 47 of whom were outside of Nashville. There were 20 presidents of schools, universities, colleges and academies, and four State educational secretaries—very representative gathering. President E. M. Poteat, of Furman University, Greenville, S. C., was president during the session and was re-elected for another year. J. Henry Burnett, business manager of Tennessee College, Murfreesboro, Tenn., was secretary and re-elected for another year. Plans this year were formulated by a committee composed of the president and secretary and Brother E. G. Townsend, Baylor College, Belton, Texas. The meeting was delightful from every standpoint, and was most helpful to all in attendance. It developed in the course of discussion that in South Carolina, Virginia and Texas no examinations were necessary for graduates of standard colleges in order to receive a State certificate to teach. In Alabama, all who teach in the State must take examination regardless of their training. In Missouri and North Carolina and Louisiana, the same standards were observed for all schools, whether private or State. In Tennessee A. B. graduates of the standard colleges are granted certificates without examination. The paper of President E. Y. Mullins on "Is There a Bible Doctrine of Education?" was received heartily and cordially, and Dr. Mullins has been requested to publish it. Dr. J. M. Frost, the secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, has agreed to publish it and to furnish it to all schools and State educational boards who desire copies of it at cost. Those who wish this magnificent paper to circulate will write to J. M. Frost.

L. A. J. Barton, educational secretary of Texas, discussed the "Best Methods of Educational Control," and under this head we not only

found the plans that are used in Texas, but the plans in other States. Dr. Barton stated that the largest denominational asset is our educational institutions. He also stated that in the last few years 19 colleges in the United States which claimed to be denominational, have swung away from their denominational moorings. Therefore, it is very important that our schools be closely related and under the control of the denomination. He stated that last year 350 of the churches in Texas gave to education through their regular organized channels. President S. P. Brooks, of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, discussed the question of bookkeeping, and urged that our schools use the same method of bookkeeping as those used by the best business institutions in the land. It is claimed that the methods used in Baylor are unusually good. It has cost them something to institute these methods, but Dr. Brooks claims that it is worth many times the cost.

Dr. M. B. Adams, educational secretary of Kentucky, in discussing the number and types of schools in each State, remarked that the denominational school is a specialist in education. It is our duty to educate denominational and religious leaders. Under this head are given three causes for failure in our academies: First, no regard to location; second, no money; third, the lack of vision as to its value. Under the head of officers and teaching force a discussion, led by Dr. J. M. Burnett, president of Carson & Newman College, of Jefferson City, Tenn., on the question of university salaries was brought up, and also the number of hours that should be required of teachers. Two questions were asked: First, how many schools require as much as twenty hours' of work a week of their teachers? The answer was ten. Second, how many schools consider 15 hours a week a full quota for a teacher; answer, 12.

Dr. A. T. Robertson, of the seminary of Louisville, requested that a list of the Southern schools giving the name, locations and presidents be published. Of course they will be published in the minutes of this meeting, and his resolution was that we request the publication of them in the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The question, "Should we have a Baptist university of the South" was discussed, led by Brother D. J. Evans, of William-Jewell College, of Liberty, Mo. The following is his definition of a university divided into four parts: First, a school of liberal arts coming in advance of college work. Second, a group of professional schools—law, medical and divinity. Third, add technical schools, engineering, mining, agriculture and forestry. Fourth, the school of fine arts. The general opinion was that the time was not ripe for the establishment of such a school in the South just at present. Under this head, however, Dr. Mullins, among other things, said the

highest form of culture is inside of God's Kingdom. Culture is a rounded development of the whole man.

President J. B. Brewer, Roanoke College, Danville, Va., in discussing the curriculum—difference in colleges for men and women—expressed the opinion that they should be the same to all intents and purposes.

President E. M. Poteat in discussing the subject, "The Chair of Christianity," and so on, urged that each of our colleges should have such a chair. One statement made by him was that Christianity is the only moral scheme that provides a dynamic for its own accomplishment. The committee on resolutions made a report through its chairman, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, on three points: First, should there be an educational board of the Southern Baptist Convention? He present were of the opinion that there should be, and the resolution asked that a committee be appointed to take the matter up with the convention at its next session. Second, should the association continue as a permanent organization? They recommended most heartily and emphatically that it should. Third, whether the educational enterprises should be laid before the Southern Baptist Convention each year. They recommended most heartily that this should be done and offered some suggestions in regard to it. The reports in full will appear in the minutes, which will be sent out to the various schools as soon as published. A committee on printing the minutes was in the act of making the report when Dr. J. M. Frost graciously agreed to present 1,000 copies of the minutes to the organization free of cost. This was accepted with a hearty and unanimous vote by all present. Another important report that was made was a committee on definitions of schools, stating just what, in their estimation, constituted a university, a college and an academy. This paper was adopted by the association as the guiding star of all our Southern schools, and a report will be published in full in the minutes. J. H. Burnett.

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